

**§ 1714. Legal services**

No claim for legal services or for any other services rendered in respect of a claim or award for compensation under subchapter I of this chapter to or on account of any person shall be valid unless approved by the Secretary; and any claim so approved shall, in the manner and to the extent fixed by the said Secretary, be paid out of the compensation payable to the claimant; and any person who receives any fee, other consideration, or any gratuity on account of services so rendered, unless such consideration or gratuity is so approved, or who solicits employment for another person or for himself in respect of any claim or award for compensation under said subchapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall, for each offense, be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

(Dec. 2, 1942, ch. 668, title II, § 204, 56 Stat. 1034.)

**TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS**

For transfer of functions to Secretary of Labor, see note set out under section 1711 of this title.

**§ 1715. Finality of Secretary's decisions**

The action of the Secretary in allowing or denying any payment under subchapter I of this chapter shall be final and conclusive on all questions of law and fact and not subject to review by any other official of the United States or by any court by mandamus or otherwise, and the Comptroller General is authorized and directed to allow credit in the accounts of any certifying or disbursing officer for payments in accordance with such action.

(Dec. 2, 1942, ch. 668, title II, § 205, 56 Stat. 1034.)

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**FEDERAL RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE**

Writ of mandamus abolished in United States district courts, but relief available by appropriate action or motion, see rule 81, Title 28, Appendix, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

**§ 1716. Presumption of death or detention**

A determination that an individual is dead or a determination that he has been detained by a hostile force or person may be made on the basis of evidence that he has disappeared under circumstances such as to make such death or detention appear probable.

(Dec. 2, 1942, ch. 668, title II, § 206, 56 Stat. 1034; Aug. 8, 1958, Pub. L. 85-608, title I, § 104, 72 Stat. 537.)

**AMENDMENTS**

1958—Pub. L. 85-608 substituted “a hostile force or person” for “the enemy”.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1958 AMENDMENT**

Amendment by Pub. L. 85-608 effective June 30, 1958, see section 402 of Pub. L. 85-608, set out as a note under section 1651 of this title.

**§ 1717. Assignment of benefits; execution, levy, etc., against benefits**

The right of any person to any benefit under subchapter I of this chapter shall not be trans-

ferable or assignable at law or in equity except to the United States, and none of the moneys paid or payable (except money paid hereunder as reimbursement for funeral expenses or as reimbursement with respect to payments of workmen's compensation or in the nature of workmen's compensation benefits), or rights existing under said subchapter, shall be subject to execution, levy, attachment, garnishment, or other legal process or to the operation of any bankruptcy or insolvency law.

(Dec. 2, 1942, ch. 668, title II, § 207, 56 Stat. 1035.)

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This chapter is referred to in sections 1633, 1643, 1772, 1773, 1776, 1776a, 1776b, 1779, 1782, 1785, 1788, 9858m of this title; title 7 sections 1431c, 4004; title 8 section 1255a; title 20 sections 1070a–23, 2341, 6313; title 31 section 3803; title 40 section 474; title 48 section 1666.

**§ 1751. Congressional declaration of policy**

It is declared to be the policy of Congress, as a measure of national security, to safeguard the health and well-being of the Nation's children and to encourage the domestic consumption of nutritious agricultural commodities and other food, by assisting the States, through grants-in-aid and other means, in providing an adequate supply of foods and other facilities for the establishment, maintenance, operation, and expansion of nonprofit school lunch programs.

(June 4, 1946, ch. 281, § 2, 60 Stat. 230; Nov. 10, 1989, Pub. L. 101-147, title III, § 312(1), 103 Stat. 916.)

## AMENDMENTS

1989—Pub. L. 101-147 substituted “school lunch” for “school-lunch”.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1989 AMENDMENT

Section 2 of Pub. L. 101-147 provided that: “Except as otherwise provided in this Act, the amendments made by this Act [see Short Title of 1989 Amendment note below] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 10, 1989].”

## SHORT TITLE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 103-448, § 1(a), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4699, provided that: “This Act [enacting sections 1766b and 1769f to 1769h of this title, amending sections 280c-6, 1396a, 1755, 1756, 1758, 1759a, 1760, 1761, 1762a, 1766, 1769, 1769a, 1769b-1, 1769c, 1773, 1776, 1779, 1786, and 1788 of this title, section 2018 of Title 7, Agriculture, section 1484a of Title 20, Education, and section 3803 of Title 31, Money and Finance, enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and sections 1755, 1758, 1760, 1761, 1762a, 1769f, and 1786 of this title, amending provisions set out as notes under section 1786 of this title and section 612c of Title 7, and repealing provisions set out as a note under section 1786 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Healthy Meals for Healthy Americans Act of 1994’.”

## SHORT TITLE OF 1992 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 102-342, § 1, Aug. 14, 1992, 106 Stat. 911, provided that: “This Act [enacting section 1790 of this title, amending sections 1766, 1769, and 1786 of this title, enacting provisions set out as a note under section 1769 of this title, and amending provisions set out as a note under section 612c of Title 7, Agriculture] may be cited as the ‘Child Nutrition Amendments of 1992’.”

## SHORT TITLE OF 1989 AMENDMENT

Section 1(a) of Pub. L. 101-147 provided that: “This Act [enacting sections 1766a, 1769b-1, 1769c, 1769d, and 1769e of this title, amending this section and sections 1753, 1755-1758, 1759a, 1760, 1761, 1762a, 1765, 1766, 1769-1769b, 1772, 1773, 1776, 1779, 1783, 1784, 1786, and 1788 of this title, repealing sections 1762 and 1763 of this title, enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and sections 1755, 1758, 1761, 1762a, 1766, 1766a, 1769, 1769c, 1773, 1776, and 1786 of this title, and amending provisions set out as a note under section 1766 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 1989’.”

## SHORT TITLE OF 1986 AMENDMENTS

Pub. L. 99-661, § 4001(a), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 4070, provided that: “This division [div. D (§§ 4001-4503) of

Pub. L. 99-661, amending sections 1752, 1755, 1758, 1760, 1761, 1762a, 1766, 1769 to 1769b, 1772, 1773, 1776, 1784, 1786, 1788, and 1789 of this title, repealing sections 1767, 1768, and 1769c of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 1758, 1760, 1766, 1772, 1773, and 1786 of this title and section 1431e of Title 7, Agriculture] may be cited as the ‘Child Nutrition Amendments of 1986’.”

Pub. L. 99-500, title III, § 301(a), Oct. 18, 1986, 100 Stat. 1783-359, and Pub. L. 99-591, title III, § 301(a), Oct. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 3341-362, provided that: “This title [amending sections 1752, 1755, 1758, 1760, 1761, 1762a, 1766, 1769 to 1769b, 1772, 1773, 1776, 1784, 1786, 1788, and 1789 of this title and section 1929a of Title 7, Agriculture, repealing sections 1767, 1768, and 1769c of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 1758, 1760, 1766, 1772, 1773, and 1786 of this title and sections 1431e and 1929a of Title 7] may be cited as the ‘School Lunch and Child Nutrition Amendments of 1986’.”

## SHORT TITLE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 95-627, § 1, Nov. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 3603, provided: “That this Act [enacting section 1769c of this title, amending sections 1755, 1757, 1758, 1759a to 1761, 1762a, 1766, 1769, 1772 to 1774, 1776, 1784, and 1786 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 1755, 1773 and 1786 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Child Nutrition Amendments of 1978’.”

## SHORT TITLE OF 1977 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 95-166, § 1, Nov. 10, 1977, 91 Stat. 1325, provided: “That this Act [enacting sections 1769, 1769a, and 1788 of this title, amending sections 1754 to 1758, 1759a, 1760, 1761, 1762a, 1763, 1766, 1772 to 1774, 1776, 1779, 1784, and 1786 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 1755 and 1772 of this title] may be cited as the ‘National School Lunch Act and Child Nutrition Amendments of 1977’.”

## SHORT TITLE OF 1975 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 94-105, § 1, Oct. 7, 1975, 89 Stat. 511, provided: “That this Act [enacting sections 1765, 1766, 1767, 1768, and 1787 of this title, amending sections 1752, 1755, 1756, 1758, 1759, 1759a, 1760, 1761, 1762a, 1772, 1773, 1774, 1784, and 1786 of this title, repealing section 1764 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 1758, 1760, 1761, and 1786 of this title] may be cited as the ‘National School Lunch Act and Child Nutrition Act of 1966 Amendments of 1975’.”

## SHORT TITLE OF 1974 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 93-326, § 1, June 30, 1974, 88 Stat. 286, provided: “That this Act [enacting section 1762a of this title and amending sections 1752, 1755, 1758, 1763, 1774, and 1786 of this title] may be cited as the ‘National School Lunch and Child Nutrition Act Amendments of 1974’.”

## SHORT TITLE OF 1973 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 93-150, § 1, Nov. 7, 1973, 87 Stat. 560, provided: “That this Act [amending sections 1753, 1755, 1757, 1758, 1759, 1759a, 1763, 1772, 1773, and 1786 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and section 240 of Title 20, Education] may be cited as the ‘National School Lunch and Child Nutrition Act Amendments of 1973’.”

## SHORT TITLE

Section 1 of act June 4, 1946, provided: “That this Act [enacting this chapter] may be cited as the ‘National School Lunch Act’.”

## SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAMS; CONGRESSIONAL STATEMENT OF FINDINGS

Pub. L. 103-448, § 2, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4700, provided that: “Congress finds that—

“(1) undernutrition can permanently retard physical growth, brain development, and cognitive functioning of children;